CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
DIVISION OF PERSONNEL
B.S.A.

DATE November 18, 1960

Full Name Adams, Joel Ray
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address 3315 Pecan

City Houston State Texas

Age 23 (This is important and should be exact)

Approximate age ______ (To be used ONLY when exact age is not known)

Religion Baptist Nationality American

Occupation Teacher 4th Grade

Education A B Degree

Weight 150 Color W Height 6'1"

Color of hair Blonde Color of eyes Blue

Outstanding characteristics or interests Fair Complextion, Slight Build

Married or single Married Children 1 yr boy do not have none
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Wife's name Do not Know

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

Unit #	City	State	Office	Date reg'd.	Date resigned
649	Houston	Texas	SM	Nov 1954	Nov 3, 1960

Special recognition None

Recommended for Confidential File for following reasons:

Signed [signature]
Scout Executive

(D-787)

FILE RECHECKED AND CLEARED
DATE 2/23/65
NAME [signature] Boye

November 21, 1960

Mr. Minor Huffman, Scout Executive
Sam Houston Area Council, No. 576
305 Milam Building
Houston 2, Texas

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
Re: Joel Ray Adams

Dear Minor:

Thank you for the complete report on Mr. Adams. As you recommend we have filed this information. We do appreciate Lawrence Hood's complete report. When we have such strong statements, it is easy for future directors to make decisions concerning his future registration.

We have completed the Confidential Record Sheet as much as possible from the description given by Lawrence Hood. Will you please fill in the missing items, sign it and return to us.

Sincerely yours,
PERSONNEL DIVISION

Basil F. Starkey
Director of Registration

BFS:mlk
Enc.

SAM HOUSTON AREA COUNCIL

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

305 MILAM BLDG., HOUSTON 2, TEXAS TELEPHONE CAPITOL 4-9111

November 16, 1960

Director of Registration
Boy Scouts of America
National Council
New Brunswick, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

On the basis of information which we have received from the Harris County Sheriff's Department, we are recommending that Joel Ray Adams, Scoutmaster of Troop 649 be placed in your Confidential File and that his name be removed from current registration of this troop.

We are attaching the notes of Lawrence Hood who went to the Sheriff's office and read the charges against this man.

Joel Ray Adams is a school teacher here in Houston and we understand that if the court will permit he will be put in a mental institution.

The sponsoring institution is now aware of this problem and is trying to secure a new unit leader.

Sincerely yours,

Minor Huffman
Scout Executive

MH:kb

COMPLAINT HARRIS COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT.

WHERE COMMITTED	Joel Ray Adams	DISTRICT	CASE
	SM - Troop 1649	BROADCAST	DATE COMMITTED
NATURE OF CRIME	Thos. B. Francis Elem. School - 4th grade teacher		TIME COMMITTED
			ON VIEW
VICTIM OR COMPLAINANT	ADDRESS Filed on 3 cases oral sodomy		PHONE
REPORTED BY (OTHER THAN COMPLAINANT)	ADDRESS ~~Judge~~		PHONE
SUSPECT, OR REMARKS	Crim. Dist Court		TIME REC'D
	Filed Judge Fagon's Court		REC'D BY

OFFICER

OFFICER

DISPATCHER ______ CLERK ______

Nov 13, 1960

Mr. [redacted] Scouter of Southwest Dist, [redacted] also
FBI Represtative and [redacted]
Scouter of Southeast Dist were in Scout office
today. They asked me what Dist Room 649 was
in. I told them northeast. They told me that
Scoutmaster Joel Ray Adams had been charged
in Judge Ragan's Court for three case of
Sodomy and the records on this was in
Capt Gus George's office of the Harris County
Sheriff Department.

I went to Capt George's office, he was
out. I talked with James. He contacted Capt
George by radio and got permission for
me to read the file. They had Statement
from three boys and a Signed Confession
by Joel Ray Adams. Also Statement by arresting
Officers Sharp and Goodnight.

Capt George would not let me have copies
of the Statements because they are being Present
to the Harris County Grand Jury.

Joel Ray Adams Confessed to the act of
Sodomy to [redacted] age 12 in car

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just before officer questioned him as Adams and [redacted] were parked in Adams Car on Nov 4th, 1960 10 P.M. also Confessed that 10 other boys had been used for Sodomy at different times. at boys home and in his Car -

Mr. James stated that this is the worst case that they have handled.

Joel Ray Adams description on Record in Sheriff office

Blonde hair
Blue eyes
Height 6'-1"
Weight 150 lb
age 23 - 1960
School teacher - 4th Grade
Complection fair
Sl Build
Date of birth Jan 13, 1937 Houston Texas

I Recommend that this man be put on Confidential list -

Laurence Hord
Deput Scout Executive
Sam Houston Area Council
Houston Texas